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Hi Cassandra and Sue,

Thanks for meeting with me today. It was nice to see both of you. I'm including Tom Hagler (attorney) and Stephanie Skophammer (NEPA lead reviewer) on this email as well. Stephanie will be coordinating NEPA review among the Air, Water, and Waste (if necessary) Divisions at EPA R9, consolidating comments, and writing the DEIS letter that contains the NEPA rating for the BDCP DEIS.

I like the concept of milestone driven coordination meetings and look forward to understanding more about the phasing concept being developed by the Corps. I think it would be helpful for Sue and I to talk more about the milestones that make sense for EPA & Corps on CWA 404 and NEPA and then Sue can talk with Cassandra about how those milestones fit into the meeting schedules you already have in place.

Regarding my to do items: here is a link to the NEPA rating structure that is used to rate DEISs.
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/comments/ratings.html>.

This is the link to the main EPA R9 NEPA page <http://www.epa.gov/region9/nepa/index.html>. All the letters documenting DEIS reviews the NEPA Review office issues are posted to this page. They are organized by federal agency on the left hand side of the page. It is worth looking at a few of the letters to get an idea of what the evaluations contain.

The FHWA I-710 Expansion project is an example of a poor NEPA rating (<http://www.epa.gov/region9/nepa/fed-hwy-adm.html>) EU III while North San Pablo Bay Restoration and Reuse Project (North Bay Water Recycling Program) is an example of a much better NEPA rating, LO (= lack of objections) <http://www.epa.gov/region9/nepa/letters/NorthSanPabloBayRestor-ReuseProjNBayWtrRecycProgDEIS.pdf>.

I hope those are helpful.
Thanks again,
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